

Meeting Minutes: November 14, 2023

Members & Guests Present:

Bruce Kelso K4BDK (Pres)	X	Sonny Blankenship N4JDB (VP)	x	David Hicks N4DPH (Sec-Tres)	X
Billy Alexander KM4KTD		Joshua Hatton W4ZZK		Brent Robeson WB3KYJ	
Mark Andrews N4FH	X	David Holman AC7DS	X	Bud Rogers K9NOZ	
Lile Bickley K4NA		Brenda Holman N3QVK		Bruce Shelton KD4KRH	X
Darrel Black KD4BLK		Steven Hoff N9FC	X	Wesley Slaton, W4CFI	
Jeff Blair N4CYZ	X	John Howard KI4WLY		Clayton Senyo AI4B	X
Tom Braunshausen KN4TKB	X	Warren Kelsoe KN4MR	X	Erica Senyo N4DEX	X
David Breeden KN4UVV		Betty Kelso KQ4IOX	X	Tim Terrell N4TMT	X
Martin Carraway K04NEI	X	David Lowery KE4DIS	X	Blake Terry AB4BT	X
Steve Flory W9KOP		Tommy Lovelady AE4TL	x	Tim Vinson KD4BOU	
Rex Free KN4CI		Gerald McCrory, AG4SY	X	Todd Winsor KS4T	X
Steve Fry W4WPT		Vince Mercado KM6LFD		Kenneth Woody KD4ESP	
Mike Fromhold AJ4SH		Ray Miller KQ4GAB	X	Marcella Woody KD4MKX	
Tom Grubbs, N4QYN		Jerome (Hoss) Pace AI4BI		Tom Wright W4TFW	X
		Jack Spiller KJ4FF	X		

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Bruce Kelso- Prayer by Todd Winsor- Pledge by Todd Winsor

The club is starting our 41th year. Total in attendance 25. Visitors- Ken Bradley, Fred Pasternak

Minutes: David Hicks read the October minutes. Motion & Second

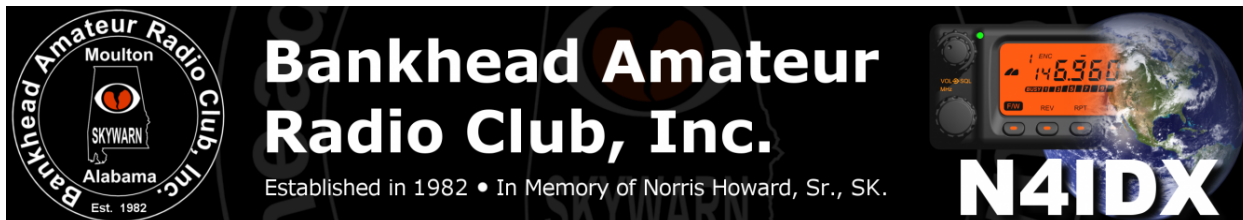
Treasurer Report:

October Balance		\$2091.04
Deposits		420.00
Expenses	Shirts/hats (\$530.88 and \$)672.16	1203.04
Current Balance		\$1308.00

Motion & Second to accept treasurer report this month. Motion Carried

Old Business:

- Bobby Hyatt is now in a nursing home at Riverside in Decatur and needs our prayers.
- Sonny's mom is in the nursing home.
- Margaret Free continues to struggle and needs our prayers.
- Mark will check on getting BARC set up as an affiliated club.
- Motion & Second, unanimous to form club and get Anita to allow us to get KS4B's call sign.
- The 96 repeater lost power when the site went on generator. We need to diagnose.
- Report by Tom Wright on Super Site. Dylan Blankenship did the climbing work.
- Brett recommended amending the Skywarn training preamble to ask about stations capable of off-grid operations. Martin will also add portable/mobile stations to the check in.
- Update on Super Site & 96 Open Items.
- We prepared an order for club T-shirts with screen print, embroidered polos and caps. T shirt will be charcoal gray with club logo on front, N4IDX on back, \$17.77 plus tax for up to large, pocket polos are



\$22.24, price increase with larger sizes, caps \$11.54, plus tax on each. Polos and caps are embroidered with personal call sign.

- Several have been playing with DMR recently. They may set up a hotspot with a BARC Talk Group.
- The SuperSite antennas are complete. The 96 site still needs antennas mounted after the frost (wasps drove us off). December 2nd will be a work day at the 96 Site.
- The 442.775 is down. Someone backed into a guy wire, making it unsafe to climb in the future.
- Bruce will confirm the Christmas party reservation at Western Sirloin for December 12th at 6:30pm. Invitations to Betty Burnett, Tammy Vinson, Chris Waldrep, Anita Weatherford, Harlee Hinson
- January Meeting will be the Skywarn Training at 6:30pm. We will meet at 6pm to vote for officers election.
- Bruce brought up the plan to form a new club using Ed's call sign (KS4B). Tabled to February.
- Bruce & Mark will get lifetime honorary member plaques for Betty & Anita. Motion & Second to have the club pay for the plaques.

Program:

- Bruce is the Emergency Coordinator for Lawrence County. ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) is part of ARRL. Some folks have to take Incident Command 100 & 200. AuxComm is another type of emergency communications system.

New Business:

- Bruce will have someone speak at the February meeting on Emergency Communications.
- Martin thanked participants in the weekly Skywarn Training Net. We now have a DMR net at 7:30pm followed by the VHF net at 7:45pm each Thursday on the 27 repeater.
- We will have a work day at the 96 Site on Saturday, December 2nd at 8am (breakfast at Little's Kuntry Kitchen at 7:00am).
- Sonny needs to take down the damaged 442.775 tower and will need some help.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting Tuesday, December 12, 2023 @ 6:00pm at Western Sirloin in Moulton for Christmas Dinner.

January meeting will be at 6:00pm January 9, 2024 at the Lawrence County EMA. We will hold club elections at 6:00pm followed by Skywarn Storm Spotter training at 6:30pm.

Adjourn 8:00 pm.